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The Japan  
representatives  
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Olympics  
Unified Research  
Association are  
on their way  
home.





HELLO.



HOW DID YOU KNOW?

OH...  
YEAH.



I HAVE  
SPIES  
MONITORING  
YOU



HI, YOU'RE  
IN TOWN,  
AREN'T  
YOU?



THE  
RESEARCH  
CLUB LET  
OUT,  
RIGHT?  
COME  
TO MY  
HOUSE.



CUT THE  
CRAP.  
WHAT DO  
YOU  
WANT?





SPECIAL GUEST?



AND THERE'S ALSO A SPECIAL GUEST COMING. WE'RE ALL GOING TO HEAR HIS LECTURE.



GRANDPA SAID I SHOULD INVITE YOU.



GOSH, WHAT SHOULD I DO? I'VE GOT A FLIGHT TO CATCH TONIGHT.



IT'S NOT THAT EASY TO CHANGE, ESPECIALLY AT A RUSH TIME LIKE THIS.



CHANGE IT TO THE LAST FLIGHT. THE LECTURE WILL BE OVER BY THEN.



HUH?



DUMMY.

THEY'LL  
CHANGE  
YOUR  
FLIGHT  
IF OUR  
FAMILY  
ASKS  
THEM TO.



MY  
RELATIVES  
WANT ME  
TO VISIT  
THEM.



WHAT?



OH, YEAH.  
OKAY.

ALL RIGHT,  
GO AHEAD,  
THEN.



OKAY.



ALL  
RIGHT,  
I'M  
COMING.



ACTUALLY,  
IT'S NOT  
THAT HARD.  
PLANES AND  
TRAINS  
DON'T  
USUALLY  
FILL UP.



CHANGING  
YOUR  
FLIGHT  
THIS LATE  
IS GOING  
TO BE A  
HASSLE.



IS  
THAT  
SO?



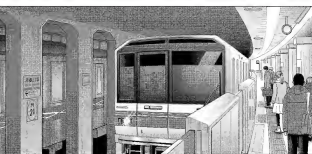
WHY?

I'VE HEARD THE  
GREEN LINE  
BULLET TRAIN  
ALWAYS LEAVES  
AT LEAST TWO  
SEATS UNDER-  
BOOKED.









BUT MAYBE  
THERE ARE  
UNKNOWN  
ROUTES IN  
THIS WORLD,  
JUST LIKE  
MATSUO SAID.



I WONDER IF  
IT'S TRUE THAT  
THE GREEN  
TRAIN UNDER-  
BOOKS BY TWO  
SEATS ALL THE  
TIME. SOUNDS  
TO ME LIKE IT'S  
JUST AN URBAN  
LEGEND.





DUMMY..  
THEY'LL  
CHANGE YOUR  
FLIGHT IF OUR  
FAMILY ASKS  
THEM TO.



THE FUJITA  
CLAN IS A BIG  
SHAREHOLDER  
OF AIRLINE  
COMPANIES.  
THEY PROBABLY  
GET TREATED  
LIKE  
CELEBRITIES.

I GUESS  
SHE'S  
RIGHT..



...IT'S  
KINDA  
CREEPY!

AND  
YET...



IT'S  
UNETHICAL TO  
GIVE DEFERENCE  
TO ELITES  
WITHOUT  
LETTING  
THE WORLD  
KNOW.

IF THE RICH  
ARE GIVEN  
PREFERENTIAL  
TREATMENT,  
THAT KIND OF  
INFORMATION  
SHOULD BE  
MADE PUBLIC.



THAT'S  
UNFAIR!

EVERYONE  
HAS TO PAY  
FOR TICKETS  
EQUALLY,  
AND YET THEY  
DISCRIMINATE  
BASED ON  
WHO'S RICH  
AND WHO  
ISN'T.



MAYBE  
I WON'T  
ATTEND...

I DUNNO.  
IT MAKES  
ME FEEL  
GROSS.



PLEASE  
GIVE ME  
YOUR  
AIRLINE  
TICKET.  
I WILL  
DELAY THE  
FLIGHT  
FOR YOU.



YEAH.

YOU GOT  
HERE  
FASTER  
THAN I  
EXPECTED.



THANKS.  
I APPRE-  
CIATE IT.



HE'S JUST  
GOING  
THROUGH  
NORMAL  
CHANNELS.

WHAT  
ARE  
YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT?



DOES  
THE AIRLINE  
COMPANY  
GIVE THE  
FUJITA FAMILY  
SPECIAL  
TREATMENT?



I JUST  
LIED TO  
GET YOU  
TO COME.



BUT YOU  
SAID THEY'LL  
ACCOMMODATE  
YOUR FAMILY.



DON'T  
TELL  
ME YOU  
BELIEVED  
THAT.

THAT WAS A  
LIE?



IT'S COMMON  
KNOWLEDGE  
THAT THERE'S  
SUCH A THING  
AS BUSINESS  
COMPLIANCE.

AIRLINE  
COMPANIES  
DON'T BEND  
TO THE WHIMS  
OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS  
NOWADAYS.



YOU  
SHOULD  
KNOW  
THAT... GET  
YOUR ACT  
TOGETHER.

OH...













IT'S IN  
A HIGHLY  
ADVANCED  
STATE.

...IS  
ESOPHA-  
GEAL  
CANCER.

WHOA!

NOW, WHEN  
WE APPLY  
OUR TREAT-  
MENT TO IT,  
THIS IS WHAT  
HAPPENS...

IT HAS BEEN  
COMPLETELY  
EXPUNGED.

YES... IT'S  
CLEARED.

